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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, UNSC, XF
SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL: SYG'S REPORT ON THE MIDDLE EAST

REF: A. USUN 745, B. USUN 754

1. EGYPTIAN MISSION CONFIRMED TO US ITS INSTRUCTIONS TO REQUEST SC MEETING THIS WEEK THROUGH NON-ALIGNED SC MEMBERS ON SYG'S REPORT ON THE MIDDLE EAST. EGYPTIANS PROPOSE FIRST OF TWO OR THREE MEETINGS BE HELD MARCH 16 IN THE MORNING. THEY INDICATED THEIR PREFERENCE FOR OUTCOME OF THIS DEBATE TO BE A CONSENSUS STATEMENT THAT WOULD BE SUFFICIENTLY GENERAL TO ATTRACT THE ADHERENCE OF ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS. EGYPTIANS SAID THEY HAVE NOT AS YET RECEIVED GUIDANCE ON HOW THEY WOULD ENVISAGE THIS STATEMENT, BUT MISSION DID INDICATE STATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE ENTIRELY PROCEDURAL.

2. PERMANENT AND OTHER COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE TOLD US THEY HOPE TO LIMIT THEIR STATEMENTS TO BRIEF, FAIRLY PROCEDURAL
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REMARKS WITHOUT FIREWORKS. EGYPTIANS SAID THE LIBYANS WILL NOT TAKE PART IN THE DEBATE SINCE THEY CONTINUE TO OPPOSE THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. FRG MISSION HINTED, AND WE STRONGLY DISCOURAGED, INCLUDING IN THEIR STATEMENT SOME ASPECTS OF THE SUSPENDED EC-9 MIDDLE EAST STATEMENT. FINALLY, EGYPT INDICATED IT WILL SPONSOR PLO'S PARTICIPATING IN DEBATE (ALTHOUGH PLO MAY CHOOSE NOT TO SPEAK) IF NO ONE

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ELSE TAKES ON THIS TASK.

3. COMMENT: EGYPTIAN MISSION EXPLAINED THAT SC MEETING
ON THE SYG'S REPORT WAS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO SHOW SOME
PROGRESS ON MIDDLE EAST IN TAKING PLACE. WITHOUT REQUESTING
A MEETING THEY WOULD BE VULNERABLE TO CRITICISM FROM OTHER
ARABS.
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